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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE:	BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Monday, April 21, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building Second Floor Conference Room B Dover, Delaware
MINUTES APPROVED:	06/16/2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Florienda Scott-Cobb, Professional Member, Presiding
Sandra Bisgood, Public Member
Ray Fitzgerald, DHSS (10:45 a.m. – 11:13 a.m.)
Linda Hyler, DSCYF
Amber Hall, Office of Management and Budget
Ron Hosterman, Department of Correction
Brenda Lakeman, OMB
Sandra Lautz, DHSS
Rochelle Mason, Professional Member
John Mucha, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General
Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Lisa Allison, Office of Management and Budget
Pat Bailey, AFSCME Council 81
Amy Bonner, Office of Management and Budget
Leslie Boyd, DSCYF
Mark Farley, DSCYF
Kerry Ferriter, Office of the Public Defender
Vicky Kelly, Division of Family Services
Gail Levinson
Wanda Pfieffer, Office of Management and Budget.
Dr. Marlene Saunders, Delaware State University

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Mason called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Legislative Committee reviewed the January 6, 2014, minutes for approval. Ms. Scott-Cobb moved, seconded by Ms. Bisgood, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Memorandum from the Office of Management and Budget

The Committee was advised that the Board reviewed the memorandum from the Office of Management and Budget. The Board was taken back when OMB stated that the financial impact caused non-support of the proposed legislation. Ms. Bisgood informed the Committee that it is discouraging and frustrating to work with several different agencies within the State, to only get a memorandum back stating that OMB cannot support the proposal.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Continued Discussion Regarding Proposed Statutory Revisions and Input from Stakeholders

In January, OMB reported that they would be meeting with the Kids Department and would present the number of those affected by the proposal, during the next Committee meeting, a report was not available for the Committee to review. Ms. Lakeman stated that she would have the requested report available during the next Committee meeting.

Ms. Lakeman reported that agencies within the state are concern about contractual employees being affected by the proposal. She reported that OMB is concerned that 5 years is not long enough to train and get a large enough pool of candidates/employees to meet the needs of the citizens.

Ms. Scott-Cobb suggested that someone from OMB interface with Delaware State University and Salisbury to identify different opportunities.

Mr. Fitzgerald stated that he has previously submitted statistics concerning DHSS, and Ms. Scott-Cobb asked that he reproduce those statistics for the Board's review. Mr. Fitzgerald suggested that the Board immerse themselves in the classification and bureaucracy of state government. Ms. Malloy advised the Committee that Maryland has had the same system that Delaware is proposing for over 25 years, and yet the State has not reached out to Maryland for any assistance.

Ms. Scott-Cobb requested that the Committee submit any drafts/suggestions to the Board for consideration. Mr. Fitzgerald informed Ms. Scott-Cobb, that suggestions have been submitted in the past, only to be denied.

Ms. Malloy inquired about what kind of modifications would need to be made for contractors, and how many contractors are actually licensed within the state.

Mr. Hosterman addressed the Committee, stating that the Department of Correction is interested in seeing where the suggestion of exempt job titles goes; such job titles would include Probation/Parole Officers, Correctional Counselors, etc.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

The Board members requested that OMB follow up with Ms. Pfieffer and to provide the requested information to the Board by June 6, 2014 for consideration; that OMB propose another exemption, since it was reported that the 5 year exemption would not be feasible; and lastly, that OMB research higher education institutions within the area to address the educational needs of the State.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

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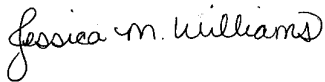
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on June 16, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. in Conference Room A, and is contingent upon receiving the requested information from OMB in a timely manner.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica M. Williams".

Jessica M. Williams
Administrative Specialist II
Delaware Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners